

REMARKS

This amendment is made to put the claims in condition for full allowance.

In the action, claims 30-37 were allowed.

Claims 2, 4, 7, 8, 10, 13, 14, 17, 18, 24, 28 and 29 were indicated as being drawn to allowable subject matter. The amendments accept allowance of some or all of these claims as follows:

Claim 1 has amended to incorporate allowable claim 4;

Claim 7 has been rewritten as new claim 38 incorporating claim 1;

Claim 9 has been amended to incorporate allowable claim 10;

Claim 17 (unamended) has also been rewritten as new claim 41 incorporating claim 9;

Claim 39 combines claims 9, 11 and allowable claim 13; and

Claim 40 combines claims 9, 11 and allowable claim 14.


The amendments to the remaining claims are self-explanatory.

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In view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application and allowance of all of the claims are respectfully requested. If any issues remain which can be resolved by a supplemental response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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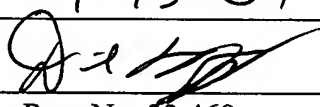
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